

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE  
CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS**

**WASTE UTILIZATION**

**1. Scope**

To safely use agricultural waste to provide fertility for crops, for forage or fiber production, to improve or maintain soil structure, to provide feedstock for livestock, to provide a source of energy, to prevent erosion, and to safeguard watercourses.

**2. Minimum Specifications**

The following components shall be included in the Waste Utilization plan. Those items marked with an asterisk (\*) will be recorded as minimum documentation requirements.

- \* Document resource concerns, problems, and practice objective.
- If waste product is from livestock or poultry operations, solids and/or wastewater from municipal plants and is land applied, follow Conservation Practice Standard and Construction Specifications 590, Nutrient Management.
- If waste product is to be used as feedstock for livestock, a site-specific specification will be developed included as a part of the conservation plan and design.
- If waste product is to be used as an energy source, a site-specific specification will be developed included as a part of the conservation plan and design.
- If waste product is to be composted, follow Conservation Practice Standard and Construction Specifications 317, Composting Facility.

**3. Recording Procedure**

The minimum specifications for this practice will be recorded in the conservation plan narrative, appropriate job sheet, or the conservation assistance notes